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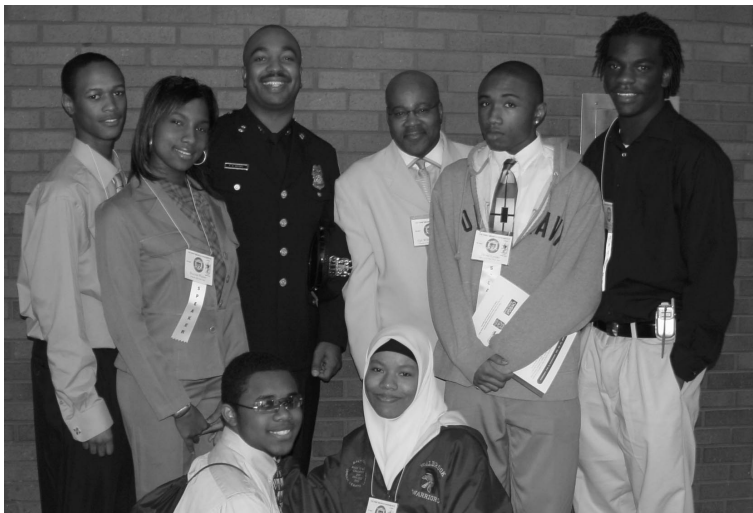
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Officer Angelo Brooks and Corp. William Griffin, standing center, with the Walbrook Warriors.

Victims' Rights Conference

LENA FLEMINGER

More than 250 people attended the fifth annual Victims' Rights Conference on April 16 in the School of Medicine's MSTF auditorium. The daylong conference, organized by the University Police, works to educate the community about resources that are available to victims and precautions that can avert victimization. This year's theme was "Victims' Rights: America's Values."

The conference was dedicated to the memory of Corporal Shirleen Berry, who created the Victim's Rights Committee that founded the conference in 1999. Berry worked for the University Police for 13 years and was Maryland's first certified victim/witness coordinator. Berry, who died last years at 49, won many awards during her years at UMB, including the Board of Regents Award and the Employee of the Year Award.

"This conference was Shirleen's passion," says the conference's current chairperson, Corp. William A. Griffin of the University Police. "She really took joy in creating this environment in which people could come learn and network with all of the different agencies who represent and assist victims."

Carnell Cooper, MD, assistant professor of surgery and attending traumatologist at the R Adams Cowley Shock Trauma Center, delivered the conference's keynote address. Cooper discussed actions that physicians and other health care providers can take to help reduce victimization.

Presenters from the judicial system, law enforcement, and victims advocacy fields also spoke. Conference topics included violence against society, sexual assault of African-American women in Maryland, hate and bias crimes, and America's values as they apply to today's youth culture.

In addition, representatives

from a number of victims' service providers, including the Maryland Criminal Injuries Compensation Board, the Pro-Bono Counseling Project, Family and Children Services of Central Maryland, and the Maryland State Police, ran information booths at the event.

At the end of the conference, students from two Baltimore high school debate teams argued over education reform and its impact on young people in urban schools. The students came from Walbrook High School and Lake Clifton High School. The Walbrook Warriors are the city's champion debate squad. The team received national recognition in June 2003 when it was featured on the CBS program "60 Minutes" in a segment about the Baltimore Urban Debate League. The team is directed and coached by Officer Angelo Brooks, who teaches law, criminal justice, speech, and debate at Walbrook and serves on the Baltimore police force.

"Coming to the conference is an exceptional educational experience for my students," says Brooks. "The conference serves a two-fold purpose—it makes victims' rights tangible to the students and introduces them to different careers in the legal field."

In years past, Brooks and the Warriors have been invited to attend the conference, but this year, with the addition of the debate, they were asked to participate as well.

"Society needs to hear young peoples' voices from disadvantaged neighborhoods and schools," says Brooks. "Through educating ourselves and others, we can reduce victimization."

UMB to Offer MPH Degree

LENA FLEMINGER

Beginning this fall, the University will add a Master of Public Health (MPH) to its degree offerings. This new degree program will be located in the School of Medicine's Department of Epidemiology and Preventive Medicine. The Maryland Higher Education Commission and the USM Board of Regents recently approved the program, which UMB intends to offer as a concurrent degree with other professional degrees offered at the University.

"There is an increasing need for well-trained health professionals who also have a comprehensive appreciation of public health issues. This point was strongly emphasized in the 2003 Institute of Medicine Report, *Who Will Keep the Public Healthy?*" says University President David J.

Ramsay, DM, DPhil. "Not only will our MPH program provide dually trained professionals, for example, MD/MPHs, but the existence of the MPH program will be an asset for the curricula of nursing, medicine, dental, pharmacy, law, and social work as they train all students for the public health imperative."

"The School of Medicine has long been a leader in public health education, research, and patient care, and the MPH program only strengthens our commitment to the prevention and treatment of disease," says Donald E. Wilson, MD, MACP, vice president for medical affairs and dean of the School.

"It's very exciting for the University," says J. Glenn Morris, MD, MPH, chair of the Department of Epidemiology and Preventive Medicine and the

proposal's author. "By offering the MPH as a joint program for UMB students from all of our schools, we are attending to the emerging demand for formal training in public health among professional students."

The MPH curriculum will include five different concentration areas—epidemiology, public health informatics, environmental and occupational health, infectious diseases, global health, and public health policy and practice. The University will offer new courses, including Public Health Ethics, Foundations of Health Behavior, and Public Health Communication, to students enrolled in the program. Morris estimates that the program will begin with 10 full-time and five part-time students.

Other schools within the University are pleased with the

Commencement 2004

ROSALIA SCALIA
LENA FLEMINGER

At this year's UMB commencement, more than 1,800 candidates will be eligible for degrees from the schools of medicine, law, nursing, social work, and pharmacy, the dental and graduate schools, and programs in dental hygiene, medical and research technology, physical therapy, and genetic counseling.

The 2004 commencement ceremony is set for May 21 at 3 p.m. at the First Mariner Arena on Baltimore and Howard streets. Tim Russert, JD, moderator of "Meet the Press" and Washington bureau chief of "NBC News," will deliver the keynote address. He will be awarded an honorary Doctor of Public Service degree at the ceremony.

"We are very excited to have Tim Russert as a speaker at commencement," says President David J. Ramsay, DM, DPhil. "His important and groundbreaking work as a journalist will be an inspiration to graduates from all of our programs."

Before the UMB commencement at the First Mariner Arena, each school will have held its own individual ceremony.

The Dental School will hold two graduation-related ceremonies. The first is an announcement assembly conferring awards to seniors on May 20 at Truffles at the Belvedere, 1 E. Chase St. The event will begin at 1 p.m. with a military swearing-in for dental students going into military service, followed by the announcement assembly at 2 p.m. and a reception at 4 p.m. The second will be an honors convocation on May 21 at 9:30 a.m., held at the War Memorial building at 101 N. Gay St., across from City Hall.

opportunity that the MPH program creates. "The program will provide graduate students in nursing with the ability to obtain both an MS and an MPH degree and, eventually, will lead to the development of a joint MS/MPH degree," says Janet D. Allan, PhD, RN, CS, FAAN, dean of the School of Nursing.

"The establishment of an MPH program on our campus is a welcome addition to our degree programs," says David A. Knapp, PhD, dean of the School of Pharmacy. "It promises to offer still more opportunities for interprofessional collaboration among both our students and our faculty."



Tim Russert

The Graduate School hooding ceremony for doctoral candidates and their mentors will be on May 20, at 6 p.m.,

in the School of Medicine's Medical School Teaching Facility auditorium.

The hooding ceremony for the School of Law will be held at the Joseph P. Meyerhoff Symphony Hall, 1212 Cathedral St., on May 21, from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Elaine Jones, president and director-counsel for the NAACP Legal Defense Fund will deliver the address.

The School of Medicine will also hold its precommencement ceremony at Symphony Hall, at 8 a.m. on May 21.

The School of Nursing convocation is set for May 21, at 9:30 a.m., at the Lyric Opera House, 140 W. Mount Royal Ave. An address will be delivered by Clare Hastings, PhD '95, RN, FAAN, BSN '77, chief of nursing and patient care services at the Warren G. Magnuson Clinical Center of the National Institutes of Health.

The School of Pharmacy convocation is on May 20 at 9:30 a.m., at the Morris A. Mechanic Theater, 25 Hopkins Plaza. Daniel Ashby, MS, executive director of the School's Pharmacy Practice and Science Department, will speak at the event.

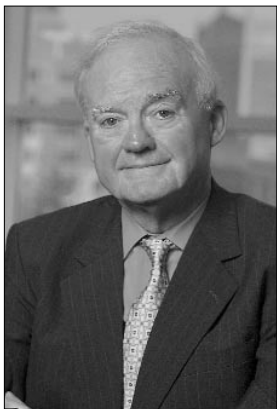
The School of Social Work convocation on May 21, at 9 a.m., will be held at Martin's West, 6817 Dogwood Rd. Two student speakers, Jane O'Leary and Camille Adams, will address the graduates.

GIVING BOX

The School of Nursing is raising \$1.4 million to create an honors program that will provide scholarships for students whose GPAs are over 3.75. Funding for the program is provided in part by the Aaron Strauss and Lillie Strauss Foundation, Inc., through the Central Scholarship Bureau. The program will begin in fall 2004.

To find out more about how you can support the School of Nursing, visit www.giving.umaryland.edu

Campus Message



David J. Ramsay

The Maryland General Assembly ended its 2003 legislative session just a few weeks ago. As you may know, the session was particularly challenging for all concerned. In keeping with much of the country, the state of Maryland simply has not been able to generate revenue sufficient to meet all of its budget requirements.

Here at the University of Maryland, Baltimore, we entered the budget race with no increase in funding from the state. We knew from the beginning, however, that we face expenditures that we are going to have to meet in areas like health and fringe benefit costs, debt service, and utilities. It is still too early to know exactly how our operating budget for the year that begins on July 1, 2004, will be structured and how we will meet the many challenges before us.

Simply to highlight one area, and as you undoubtedly know from your own household bills, utilities costs have been increasing dramatically. For the next fiscal year, our University faces an unfunded increase just in the cost of electricity of well over \$2 million. I have asked our facilities management staff to look carefully into ways that we can reduce our dependence on electricity. I urge each of you to do your part to see to it that we don't leave lights burning in unoccupied rooms and that we turn off non-essential machinery when it isn't being used. I also look to our finding savings from keeping air conditioning and heating costs to a minimum.

But while our glass does not contain all that we might have desired, we have had some major successes, particularly with respect to our capital projects. I am delighted to report that we received the next phase of funding for our Dental School and some funds to continue the renovation of Howard Hall. The legislature also gave us hope that our critical need for space for the School of Pharmacy will be addressed within the next few years.

Moreover, the governor sponsored and the legislature passed a measure that will provide significant assistance to our entrepreneurial efforts—namely, enhanced autonomy for the campus and the University System of Maryland. UMB depends heavily on our faculty's ability to generate external revenue in support of our research and service missions. Over the last 10 years, while our state general fund support has remained constant at about \$120–\$130 million annually, our external grants and contracts have grown more than three-fold, from about \$100 million in 1993 to \$324 million. Yet despite the decline in state support as a percentage of our budget, we have faced increasing restrictions on how we operate. One of the most difficult has been position control—we were not allowed to have more employees than authorized in the state budget. That means that if our faculty are successful in bringing in grant funding, we legally had no ability to hire the people to perform the work specified in the contracts. The autonomy legislation removes position control and provides other protection to exempt the USM campuses from arbitrary applications of state regulations.

As our academic year 2003–2004 draws to a close and we look once again to graduating a marvelous new group of physicians, dentists, nurses, attorneys, social workers, pharmacists, and biomedical researchers, I am reminded as always of the importance of the jobs we all do toward making life a little better for our fellow citizens. Even as we struggle to meet funding challenges and to deal with complicated problems and opportunities, seeing those students and their delighted families is our real reward.

Employee Recognition Ceremony

LENA FLEMINGER

On April 30, the University held its annual Employee Recognition Luncheon, celebrating the accomplishments of members of the campus community. Held at the Marriott Inner Harbor, the event honored the Employee of the Year, employees of the month, the newly elected staff senators, and community service award recipients.

"Our employees are at the heart of all we accomplish," says University President David J. Ramsay, DM, DPhil. "I am very pleased to be able to honor them for their service and dedication."

David DeLooze, assistant director of structural trades, Operations and Management, was named the Cecil S. Kelly Memorial Employee of the Year. DeLooze has been with the University for 28 years and is respected for his commitment to customer service and his fairness and honesty as a manager.

In addition, DeLooze was presented with a community service award for his volunteer work on various community service projects. He has volunteered to be Facilities Management coordinator for the Maryland Charities Campaign for the last 15 years. For the past 3 years, DeLooze has coordinated the campaign for the University. In this time, his efforts to encourage the University to meet its donation goals have resulted in gifts



Dave DeLooze

of more than \$1 million to the Maryland Charities Fund.

Seaborn, office supervisor in the School of Social Work's Community Outreach Services, were also honored with community service awards.

Mitchell's community services benefit United Cerebral Palsy of Central Maryland, Baltimore City Youth Opportunities Community Center, James E. Duckworth School for children with multiple challenges, the Darrell DeShawn Mitchell Foundation, the Governor's Office of Crime Control and Prevention, and the NAACP.

Seaborn volunteers her services at the Ark Baptist Church, where she serves as a chair member, deaconess, chair of the hospitality ministry, secretary of the women's ministry, and participates in the married persons ministry.

The ceremony also recognized employees who have completed 20, 25, 30, and 35 years of service at the University.

MORE for Women's Health

LENA FLEMINGER

The Women's Health Research Group (WHRG) recently was awarded a 5-year National Institutes of Health Building Interdisciplinary Research Careers in Women's Health grant. The grant is intended to provide research training in women's health to as many as eight junior faculty scholars, half with clinical doctorate degrees and half with PhDs.

The funding supports a WHRG program called Maryland's Organized Research Effort in Women's Health (MORE-WH). MORE-WH is designed to identify and recruit new investigators who want to pursue careers in women's health research; provide the investigators with interdisciplinary research training experiences; and boost the number of women's health researchers in the United States.

A team of experienced University faculty from different disciplines guides the MORE-WH scholars in their research. "UMB is really the ideal training environment for this program because of the strong basic, clinical, and epidemiological research in women's health that is going on in the schools of dentistry, medicine, nursing, and pharmacy," says principal investigator Patricia Langenberg, PhD, professor and vice chair of the Department of Epidemiology and Preventive Medicine in the School of Medicine.

UMB faculty mentors work with MORE-WH scholars on interdisciplinary projects that focus on three main areas: life changes in women's health from development to postmenopause; adverse conditions and diseases in women; and gender differences in pain.

"Our research focuses on these areas because they span traditional and emerging research in reproductive epidemiology, clinical medicine, and basic scientific research, and provide a variety of opportunities for the MORE-WH scholars to gain basic and specialized skills," says program director Jodi A. Flaws, PhD, an associate professor in the School of Medicine's Department of Epidemiology and Preventive Medicine.



MORE scholars and faculty

MORE-WH scholar Jessica A. Mong, PhD, assistant professor in the School's Department of Pharmacology and Experimental Therapeutics, is studying the molecular and cellular mechanisms underlying estrogenic actions in the central nervous system. "As an undergraduate I first became sensitive to the fact that basic scientific studies were historically gender biased with the female physiology either assumed to be like the male's or ignored altogether," says Mong.

"In recent years, the well-established tenets of physiology have begun to be reexamined in the context of the female body and striking differences are emerging. It is for this reason that the program is so important. It allows scientists with diverse research interests to come together and share our knowledge towards the common goal of better understanding women's health."

In addition to Mong, there are currently three other scholars from the School of Medicine participating in the MORE-WH program. Jenny Jones, PhD, research associate, Department of Physiology, is studying the mechanisms involved in breast cancer cell growth, invasion, and metastasis. William Romani, PhD, PT, ATC, SCS, assistant professor, Department of Physical Therapy, is attempting to provide a scientific basis for women's increased risk for a specific type of ligament injury. Vasana Cheanvechai, MD, assistant professor, Department of Surgery, is creating a screening and public education program for women with noncardiac vascular disease, such as carotid artery disease, peripheral arterial disease, and abdominal aortic aneurysms.

Carol Stillwell, Employee of the Month

LENA FLEMINGER

After 33 years with the University and 12 years as an administrative assistant II for the Dental School's Department of Health Promotion and Policy, Carol Stillwell was thrilled to be named employee of the month for March.

"Being honored made me feel very humble and grateful to the people I work with. Without their help, I would not be able to do my job properly," says Stillwell. "I have great people in my department and we are like a family. My job is extremely diverse and my many different tasks keep me very

busy. It's never dull in my department."

"Carol clearly reflects the positive employee attributes that are so very essential for a vibrant and productive team atmosphere," says William L. Priddy, DDS, associate professor in the School and manager of General Practice Clinic 1. "She consistently shows attention to detail and demonstrates effective performance in all her vast administrative responsibilities."

Priddy nominated Stillwell for the award. "Without Carol's numerous contributions and wonderful attitude, the department and School atmosphere would greatly suffer," he says.

Student Leaders



Dental students Brian Holman, third from left, and Sean Noonan, far right, stand with their families and Dental School Dean Christian Stohler, center, at the Student Leadership Reception hosted by President and Mrs. Ramsay in late March.

National Rankings Up

EDWARD FISHEL

The schools of law and social work, and the department of physical therapy in the School of Medicine continue to see their national rankings rise in *U.S. News & World Report's* annual survey of the country's best graduate schools.

In the survey, published in April, the School of Social Work ranked 19th out of 101 schools, moving up six places from 25th, placing it in the top tier of social work schools in the nation. The School of Law achieved its highest ranking ever, 43rd out of the 177. The physical therapy master's and doctoral program in the School of Medicine is ranked 16th in the country after being unranked in the last survey in 2000.

"I continue to be proud of the high quality education that our schools and programs provide," says University President David J. Ramsay, DM, DPhil. "We are devoted to excellence in graduate and professional education, research, public service, and patient care."

"The School of Social Work's ranking is a testament to the excellence of our faculty, whose cornerstone is teaching, scholarship, and service," says Jesse J. Harris, PhD, dean of the School. "This top-20 ranking speaks not only to the outstanding quality of our faculty, but to the School's commitment to our students throughout the educational process."

In addition to being a highly ranked law school, the School of Law also is the only law school in the country to have both its Law and Health Care Program and Environmental Law Program consistently ranked in the top five by *U.S. News & World Report*. This year the programs were ranked third and fourth, respectively. In addition, it is the only public law school to have three specialty programs in the top 10, with the Clinical Law Program ranked 10th.

"As a public law school, we consider the educational experience at Maryland to be unique. The national rankings tell only part of the story," says Karen Rothenberg, JD, MPA, dean of the School of Law. "We have one of the best student/faculty ratios in the country and we are a national leader in cutting-edge scholarship and public service. Additionally, our specialty programs are exceptional—they offer our students a multitude of experiential and interdisciplinary opportunities—two essential components for finding employment after graduation."

Mary M. Rodgers, PT, PhD, chair of Department of Physical Therapy and Rehabilitation Science appreciates the national recognition of the department. "With our combination of entry-level and post-professional physical therapy education, we are poised to move even higher in the rankings in the future," she says.

Married Rx Grads, Interesting Careers

MIKE LURIE

Patrick and Kelly Park, a married couple who are president and vice president, respectively, of their graduating class, will graduate with the School of Pharmacy's Class of 2004. After graduation, the Parks will fulfill the School's tradition of sending skilled researchers and young educators into the pharmacy profession.

Recent pharmacy grads are venturing into such diverse areas as government (the FDA and the Public Health Service are both headquartered in Maryland), the pharmaceutical industry, and executive management in pharmacy chains.

The Parks, who both came from Korea to the United States as children, were married 6 years ago. They met in medical school while discovering that areas of scientific research outside of medicine were of greater interest to them.

Ultimately, the Parks chose to apply together to the School of Pharmacy's combined PharmD and MBA program (the MBA portion of the program is offered through a cooperative effort with the nearby University of Baltimore). The joint degree program's emphasis on business studies pointed Patrick and Kelly toward positions with pharmaceutical companies after graduation.

Patrick will work in electronic media for Bristol-Myers Squibb, educating the company's sales force via the Internet.

Kelly will work for Ortho-McNeil Pharmaceuticals, with a focus on medical information (including drug information inserts) for health care professionals and



Kelly and Patrick Park

sales representatives.

"Having the MBA has been a way for me to distinguish myself more, become a little unique," she says.

Both pharmaceutical companies are located near central New Jersey, which gives the Parks convenient access to Rutgers University where each will work as an adjunct professor. Kelly Park will be a teacher and preceptor for Rutgers students who come to Ortho-McNeil on 5-week rotations.

Kelly and Patrick both cite Daniel Mullins, PhD, professor and chair of the Department of Pharmaceutical Health Services Research, as a major teaching influence. The Parks served as research assistants for Mullins and consulted with him for advice about summer internships.

"Kelly and Patrick pursued non-traditional training in addition to their PharmD training," Mullins says, referring to their additional business studies. "They took full advantage of course offerings, research opportunities, and internships to supplement their clinical experiences. They will be able to blend these experiences toward achieving their own career objectives while giving back to the profession of pharmacy."

Patrick Park can now reflect positively on how his perspective about life after pharmacy school has changed. "Early on, I wasn't quite sure what I really wanted to do after graduation," Patrick says.

Fortunately, I found guidance at the School of Pharmacy. I feel quite excited about the opportunities that are ahead for my wife and me."

Allan Named to List of Top 100 Women



Janet Allan

PATRICIA ADAMS

Janet D. Allan, PhD, RN, CS, FAAN, dean of the School of Nursing, has been named to the *Daily Record's* list of Maryland's top 100 women for 2004. The annual award program, established in 1996, recognizes 100 of Maryland's leading women who are making an impact in the state. The award was created to recognize the outstanding achievements of professional women who reside or work in Maryland.

Also named to the top 100 list for 2004 were Karen Kauffman, PhD, RN, an associate professor at the School, and Lynne Brick, a member of the School's Board of Visitors, who was named to the Circle of Excellence for Sustained Achievement, a recognition for being named three times to the list.

"I am honored to be named to this distinguished list of women," says Allan. "I am also delighted that my colleagues are among the women being honored this year."

Awardees were formally recognized at the 2004 Top 100 Women Celebration on May 4 at the Meyerhoff Symphony Hall in Baltimore.

New Director of Annual Giving and Alumni Programs

LENA FLEMINGER

Lisa A. Webster joined the University as the new director of annual giving and alumni programs in March. Webster comes to the University from Dartmouth Medical School and the Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center in Hanover, N.H., where she served as the director of annual giving and direct marketing for nearly 5 years and the acting director of alumni relations for nearly 4 years.

At Dartmouth, Webster was responsible for directing five annual giving programs and exercising leadership in the conception, design, development, and implementation of programs and activities that fostered alumni and community involvement in annual giving and outreach activities.

"Lisa Webster has a proven track record in annual giving and alumni relations," says Mary Champion, MA, associate vice president for development in the Office of External Affairs. "During her first month with us, her new colleagues have already seen her strategic and creative approach to these two critical areas for increased philanthropy at UMB."



Lisa Webster

IN THE NEWS

"But the fact of the matter is they're skirting the edges of a well-working regulatory process that is designed for the protection of the American public."

In the April 22 issues of *Newsday* (NY) and *The Chicago Tribune*, **Frank Palumbo, JD, PhD**, director of the Center on Drug and Public Policy at the School of Pharmacy, discussed the efforts of a bipartisan group of senators to legalize the importation of cheaper prescription drugs from Canada and Europe.

"The match is a fair and efficient computerized process that matches graduating medical students to residency programs at teaching hospitals around the country."

In the April 19 *Baltimore Sun*, **Donald Wilson, MD, MACP**, vice president for medical affairs and dean of the School of Medicine, wrote a letter to the editor applauding Congress for protecting the National Resident Matching Program by providing an exemption against anti-trust laws.

On the WMAR-TV news at 5:30 p.m. on April 13 **Jesse Harris, PhD**, dean of the School of Social Work, discussed dealing with stress in military families whose loved ones are deployed in areas with escalating violence and fatalities

"The decision points to the crucial importance of guaranteeing indigent defendants' the right to a lawyer when they first appear before a judicial officer."

In the April 13 *Daily Record*, **Douglas Colbert, JD**, a professor in the School of Law, commented on a Court of Appeals decision to admit at trial a damaging statement to a bail review court by an unrepresented defendant.

Janet Allan, PhD, RN, CS, FAAN, dean and professor in the School of Nursing, and **Debra Spunt, MS, RN**, director of the School's clinical simulation laboratories, were interviewed on WJZ-TV, Ch. 13's 5 p.m. news on March 22 for a profile on the shortage of nurses and nursing faculty.

"With what she does and what she has to work with, I can't beat the drum loud enough on her behalf."

In the April 20 *Baltimore Sun*, **Warren Tewes, DDS, MS**, a forensic dentist and an assistant professor in the Dental School, discusses Kylen Johnson, who has helped state authorities solve missing-persons cases that have stumped law enforcement officials for years.

"Talk therapy works and, in many cases, as well or better than medications, at lower cost, with fewer side effects, and more lasting benefits."

In the April 27 *Baltimore Sun*, **Daniel Buccino, PhD**, a field instructor in the School of Social Work, wrote an opinion column about a recent FDA advisory regarding potential negative side effects of antidepressants.

LAURELS

DENTAL SCHOOL

Mark D. Macek, DDS, DrPH, assistant professor, Department of Health Promotion and Policy, recently was nominated for the position of secretary and treasurer of the American Association of Public Health Dentistry.

Elaine Romberg, PhD, professor, Department of Oral Health Care Delivery, received a presidential citation from Paula Friedman, DDS, MSD, MPH, president of the American Dental Education Association, at its annual session in March.

Henry N. Williams, PhD, professor, Department of Biomedical Sciences, presented the results of his research projects at the Ocean Sciences Conference in February and at the International Association of Dental Research Meeting (IADR) in March. Williams also co-chaired a session on biofilms at the IADR meeting.

SCHOOL OF LAW

Taunya Lovell Banks, JD, Jacob A. France Professor of Equality Jurisprudence, gave a presentation, “Dangerous Women: Elizabeth Key’s Freedom Suit,” at Vanderbilt Law School in Nashville, Tenn., in April.

Rena Steinzor, JD, professor and director of the Environmental Law Clinic, with Lisa Heinzerling, published “A Perfect Storm: Mercury and the Bush Administration,” in the April *Environmental Law Reporter*.

Marley Weiss, JD, a professor, presented, “Transnational Capital Mobility and Domestic Collective Labor Relations: United States, European Union, and Japanese Comparisons” at the International Network for Transformative Labor Law Conference at Ritsumeikan University in Kyoto, Japan, on March 28.

SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

Rita S. Berndt, MA, PhD, professor, Department of Neurology, published a chapter, “Lexical Semantic Aspects of Language Disorders,” in the book, *Clinical Neuropsychology, Edition 4, 2003*.

Bruce K. Krueger, PhD, professor, Department of Physiology, was awarded a 2-year, \$750,390 grant from the U.S. Army Medical Research Activity, Department of Defense, for his work, “Molecular Basis of the Regulation of Cognitive Function by BDNF.”

Richard M. Lovering, PT, PhD, postdoctoral fellow, departments of physiology and obstetrics, gynecology, and reproductive sciences, received a 2-year, \$92,000 grant from the National Institutes of Health for his work, “The Role of Cytokeratins in Skeletal Muscle Injury.”

SCHOOL OF NURSING

Janet Allan, PhD, RN, CS, FAAN, dean, participated in a panel presentation, “Healthy Bodies, Healthy Minds,” at the Suburban Maryland Business and Professional Women’s Fifth Annual Health Empowerment Forum for Women held recently in Rockville, Md.

Todd Ambrosia, PhD, CRNP, assistant professor, Department of Family and Community Health, has been selected as a member of the International Council of Nurses’ International Nurse Practitioner/ Advance Practice Core Committee and the Standing Subcommittee on Education, Practice, and Professional Development.

Debra Spunt, MS, RN, director, clinical simulation labs, spoke at the recent SimMan Users Group conference held in Scottsdale, Ariz. Spunt also delivered a presentation on using simulation in the nursing curriculum at the University of Utah School of Nursing.

SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK

Geoffrey Greif, DSW, professor and associate dean, published an article, “Common Themes and Treatment Approaches in Working With Families of Runaway Youths,” in the March *American Journal of Family Therapy*.

Aminifu R. Harvey, DSW, associate professor, was recently appointed to the Board of the National Leadership Council on African-American Behavioral Health, Inc. Harvey has also been appointed to the Washington, D.C.’s Mayor’s Advisory Committee on Child Abuse and Neglect.

The Family Connections Program received a grant of \$20,250 from the Lois and Samuel Silberman Fund Faculty Awards Program for a 2-year follow-up study of the safety and well-being of children and families previously served by Family Connections.

SCHOOL OF PHARMACY

Larry L. Augsburger, PhD, professor, was an invited speaker at the National Academy of Sciences program, “The Mainstreaming of Alternative Medicine: Trusted Remedies or Risky Business.”

Cynthia J. Boyle, PharmD, assistant professor, was selected as a fellow of the American Pharmacists Association (APhA) for 2004, at the APhA Annual Meeting and Exposition, March 26–30, in Seattle.

Magaly Rodriguez de Bittner, PharmD, associate dean for academic affairs, was selected to participate in the 2004–2005 American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy Academic Leadership Fellows Program.

Marla Oros Departs from School of Nursing

LENA FLEMINGER

After 10 years with the University’s School of Nursing, Marla Oros, MS, RN, associate dean for clinical and external affairs, is departing.

Oros, an alumna, led the School’s clinical enterprise initiative, which places faculty and students in active clinical practice roles, providing patient care and case management in the community. The clinical enterprise initiative includes the Governor’s Wellmobile Program, the Open Gates Health Center, 14 public school-based wellness centers, a childcare consultation program, and more than 50 clinical contracts with private health care providers around the state.

Oros and her husband David, the current chair of the School’s board of visitors, have donated more than \$3 million to the School over the past 3 years. The Oros support the School through Connect Maryland, a nonprofit foundation they launched that pools the resources and talents of Maryland entrepreneurs to support children’s social issues. They also contribute through David Oros’ company



Marla Oros

Aether Systems and their own personal funds. “Marla Oros has been instrumental in developing many community-based programs that are providing vital primary and preventive health care services for thousands of underserved Marylanders,” says Janet D. Allan, PhD, RN, CS, FAAN, dean of the School of Nursing. “She has reshaped the clinical education of community health and advanced practice nurses.”

Oros plans on returning to consulting, her profession before joining the School in 1994. She will consult on program, marketing, and business development and strategic planning for health care organizations and nonprofits.

“I feel like I’ve accomplished what I set out to at the School of Nursing,” says Oros. “The programs in our clinical enterprise initiative are up, running, and financially sustainable.”

Makofsky Lecture on Child Welfare

ROSALIA SCALIA

Alex Kotlowitz, author of two critically acclaimed books, *There Are No Children Here: The Story of Two Boys Growing Up in the Other America* and *The Other Side of The River: A Story of Two Towns, a Death, and America’s Dilemma*, delivered the 14th annual Louise Rainier and Abraham Makofsky Lecture on Child Welfare to a packed auditorium at the School of Social Work on April 2.

During his presentation, Kotlowitz, whose books have received numerous awards, discussed the disparities in opportunities, education, and quality of life standards between middle class children and those who are disenfranchised, marginal, and impoverished.

“Periods of economic downturn, when the urge is to cut budgets and programs that assist these kids, are one of the most important times to advocate for these children,” Kotlowitz said.

The journalist also discussed the effect of street violence and murders on children. In researching his books, Kotlowitz discovered that children living in housing projects

who are exposed to violence suffer from post-traumatic stress disorder at similar levels to those living in war zones. He also noted the breakdown of the community and suggested that it results in both physical and spiritual poverty, a phenomenon that the late Mother Theresa noted when she visited the same area of the Chicago projects where Kotlowitz conducted his research for his first book.

“The breakdown of communities causes people to have divided loyalties. In the short time I spent in the projects, I also began to suffer from divided loyalties, so one can only imagine what it can do to these children on a daily basis,” said Kotlowitz.

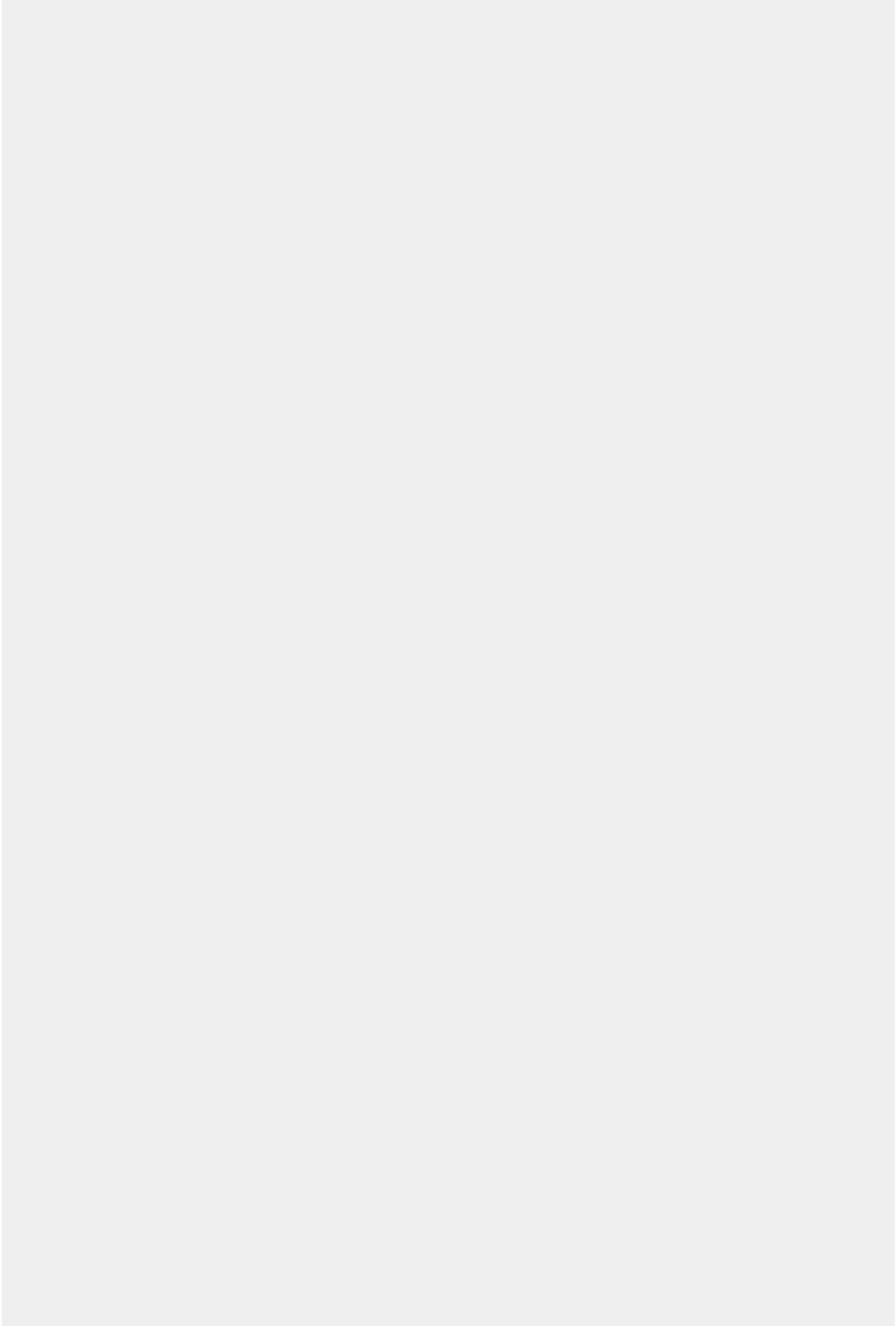
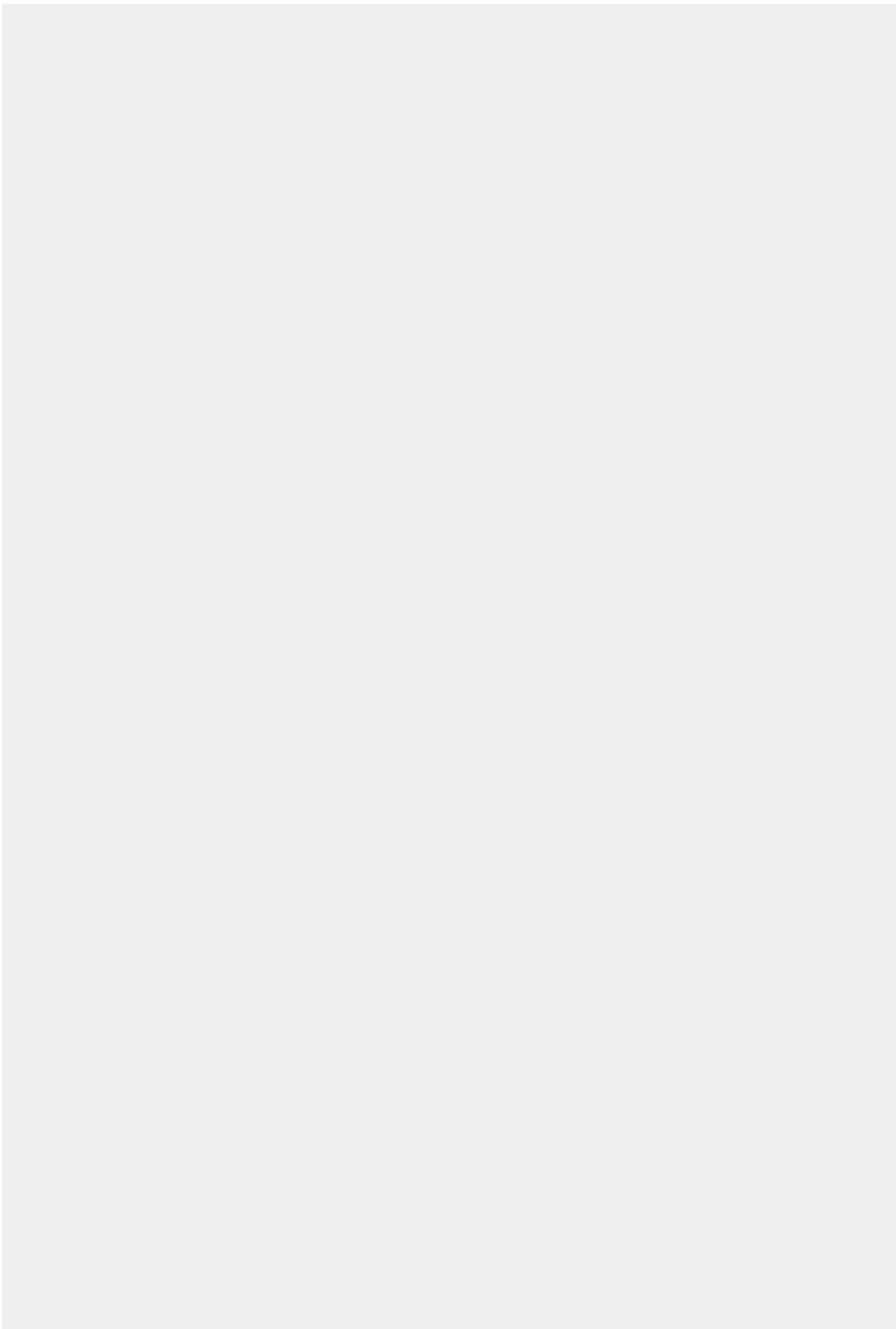
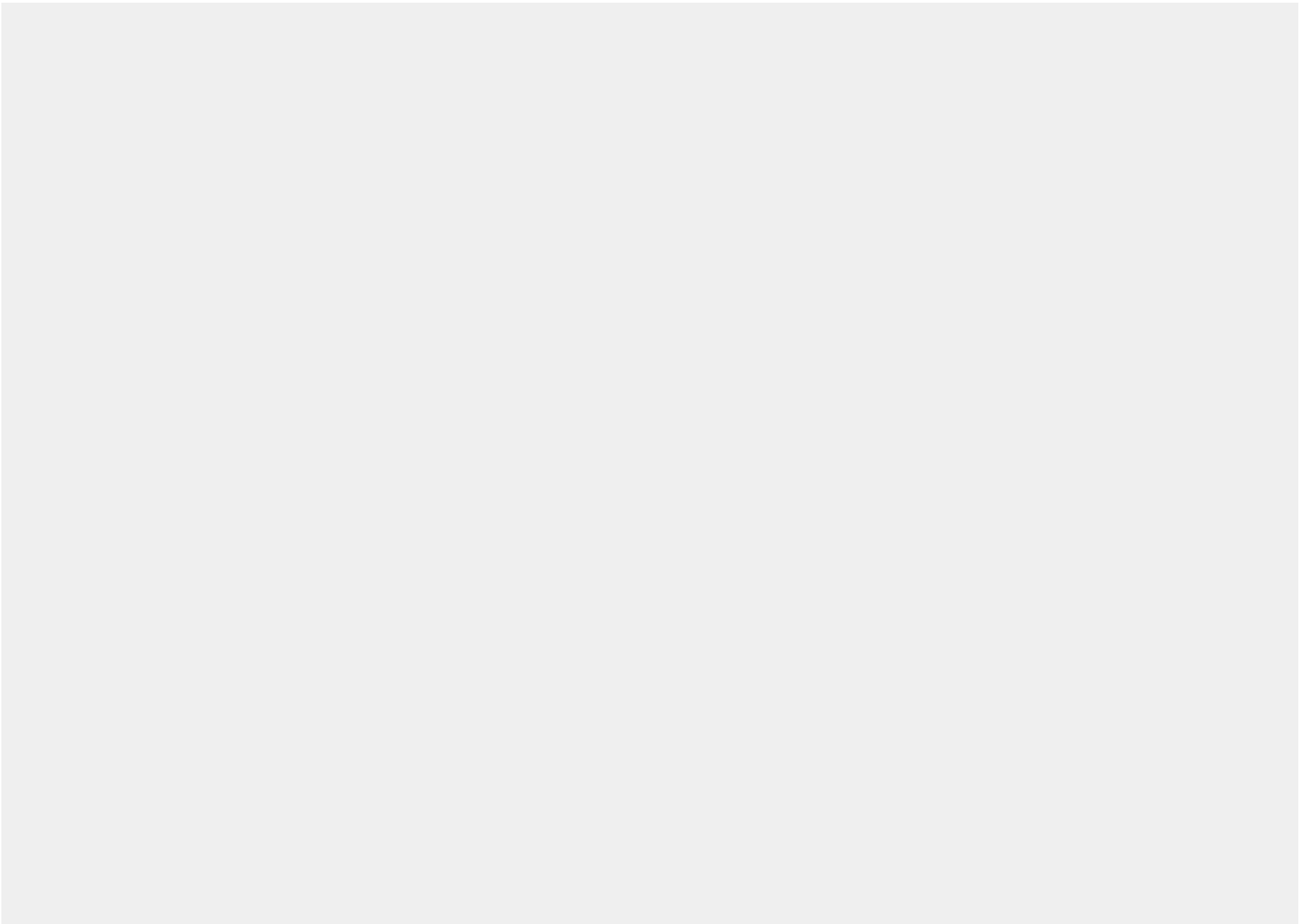
Kotlowitz said that silence is the most insidious wedge between the two Americas, one side, characterized by joblessness and hopelessness, and the other, middle class.

“Aside from the institutional silence that stands by and allows injustice, there is the more insidious silence that causes a certain segment of people to feel that they will not be believed.” People need to start listening to begin bridging the gap between the two Americas, according to Kotlowitz.

Southeast Asia Business Forum



On April 28, UMB hosted a conference for Maryland businesses sponsored by the United States-Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) Business Council and the Maryland Department of Business and Economic Development. The conference featured a panel of 10 ambassadors to the United States from the ASEAN nations of Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, and Vietnam. Gov. Ehrlich delivered a keynote address at the event.



Personal Stories of Integration at Law School Event

JUDY HEIGER

On March 9, the School of Law hosted a panel discussion, Roadblocks and Resistance, on the resistance in a number of Maryland jurisdictions to integration in public schools after the *Brown v. Board of Education* decision.

In its ruling on *Brown* in May 1954, the Supreme Court struck down the doctrine of racial segregation in American public schools, calling it unconstitutional. This program was part of a series of events the law school sponsored this academic year to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the *Brown* decision.

Sherrilyn Ifill, JD, an associate professor in the School of Law and the event’s coordinator, opened the discussion. According to Ifill, the *Brown* decision was only one aspect of the integration story. “Resistance did not only take place in Alabama and Arkansas,” she says. “Understanding the history of resistance to integration in Maryland enables us to better understand the state of our educational system today.”

The panelists discussed desegregation in Maryland and shared their personal stories of integration from various vantage points, including integration in the professional world and in different communities. “The stories of the panelists reflect the experiences of African-Americans throughout the country who faced similar obstacles,” says Ifill.

The panel included Alvin Thornton, PhD, the associate provost of Howard University; H. Dwayne Whittington, the

first black superintendent of schools for Somerset County; Dwight Pettit, a Baltimore attorney and a former child plaintiff in *Pettit v. Board of Education of Harford County, Maryland*; Walter Sondheim Jr., a member of the 1952 Baltimore City School Board; and Alfreda Hughes, a retired teacher and a 1956 graduate of Western High School in Baltimore.

Hughes, the daughter of W.A.C. Hughes, a prominent lawyer who was involved in integration cases in the *Brown* era, discussed her experience as one of the first African-American students to integrate Western High School.

“At the time, I didn’t see the full importance of what we were doing,” she said. “I realize now that we were trail-blazers. As a result of my experiences, I was no longer afraid of white people. I found out that people are people. We went through what we did so all people could get a good education.”

After the panel discussion, awards were presented posthumously to lawyers who fought for desegregation. Close family members of these lawyers received the awards.

Charles Hamilton Houston Jr. received an award in memory of his father Charles Hamilton Houston; J.B. Redding received an award for her father, Louis Redding; Kali Murray received the award for her grandfather Donald Murray; Michael Mitchell received the award for his mother Juanita Jackson-Mitchell; and Alfreda Hughes received the award for her father W.A.C. Hughes.

FYI

Save the Date!

This year, the University’s annual Founders Week is a week earlier than usual, on Oct. 11–15. Tuesday, Oct. 12, is the staff luncheon and student cookout. Wednesday, Oct. 13, is the Research Lecture and reception. Thursday, Oct. 14, is the Founders Week Gala at the Hyatt Regency Baltimore.

UMB Night at the Hipp a Hit

The University, in conjunction with Clear Channel Entertainment, offered the campus community the opportunity to purchase substantially discounted tickets for the May 27 performance of the hit Broadway show *Mama Mia!* at the Hippodrome Theater. By April 30, the last day to order tickets through this program, the 170 tickets allotted to the University were nearly sold out.

“It was a great success and I am happy to say we are expanding the program for *Phantom of the Opera* so that people will have a choice of different performances,” says Nancy Gordon, director of special events, Office of External Affairs, who coordinated the ticket program. “We’re hoping to offer discounted tickets again in the near future. I encourage people to buy tickets through this program—the shows are fantastic and so are the savings.”

Tickets were discounted up to 15% and the handling fee per ticket was substantially reduced to \$3 compared to the \$7.25–\$10 per ticket charged by Ticket Master. In addition, the usual \$4 per order charged was waived. To order tickets for future performances, go to www.BroadwayAcrossAmerica.com/groupsales and follow instructions. The password is umaryland. Tickets will be mailed to the billing address about 2 weeks before the show.

ORD Program a Success

The last of the Office of Research and Development’s (ORD) 10-session curriculum for research administrators and faculty, Guide to the Administration of Sponsored Projects, was held in March.

The response from the campus to this rigorous training was outstanding, according to Marjorie Forster, vice president, ORD. The program will begin again on June 3. For registration information, contact Forster at mforster@umaryland.edu.

UMB Osteoarthritis Study

Researchers at the School of Medicine and the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine are recruiting patients for the largest multicenter study ever conducted on osteoarthritis of the knee.

The 7-year project will enroll 5,000 volunteers nationally, including 1,250 from the Baltimore area. Volunteers will range in age from 45 to 79 and at least half will be African-American. Study participants will include those who have symptoms from osteoarthritis of the knee and those who are at increased risk. Risk factors include knee pain, a knee injury, or knee surgery. People with a relative who has had a knee replacement for osteoarthritis and those with osteoarthritis of the hands are also at increased risk for knee osteoarthritis.

Those interested in information about the study and how to participate are invited to call Raushanah Kareem at 410-706-5791 or 1-866-565-KNEE (5633) outside the local calling area. (IRB: H-22349)

NIH SBIR/STTR Conference

The NIH SBIR/STTR Conference is scheduled for June 23–24, and will be held on the NIH campus in Bethesda, Md. This 2-day meeting will focus explicitly on the Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) and Small Business Technology Transfer (STTR) programs.

Funding opportunities for small companies with innovative biomedical or behavioral research ideas with commercial potential will be discussed. New to the conference this year is a poster session presented by NIH SBIR/STTR Phase II awardees and an in-depth session on the FDA regulatory process. This conference will benefit those who are relatively new to SBIR/STTR as well as those who are more experienced. Registration is free, but mandatory. Agenda and registration information are available at the conference Web site, <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/funding/sbirconf2004/index.htm>.

UMB in Preakness Parade

On May 8, for the first time in 31 years, the Preakness Parade featured a new route through Baltimore’s revitalized westside. Participants marched on Eutaw Street rather than Pratt Street this year.

As a strong supporter and major anchor of the WestSide, the University participated in the parade. The UMB Wellmobile and Breathmobile both drove the entire route and the University was also represented on a westside float. The UMB participants joined marching bands, horses, helium balloon characters, celebrity guests, and decorated floats as they marched past the Hippodrome Theatre and Lexington Market.

HS/HSL News

OLDMEDLINE Now Available

OLDMEDLINE is now available through OVID, the vendor HS/HSL uses for its major databases. OLDMEDLINE contains citations to articles from international biomedical journals covering the fields of medicine, preclinical sciences, and allied health sciences from 1951 to 1965. Subject searching of this database is available through key words and text phrases. Unlike MEDLINE, this file contains neither abstracts nor MeSH headings from the National Library of Medicine’s current controlled vocabulary. To search OLDMEDLINE or any of the library’s other databases, go to www.hsuhl.umaryland.edu/main.html and click on the databases resource quick link.

Summer Hours

The library’s summer hours will begin on Friday, May 21. Summer hours are: Monday through Thursday, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Friday, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.; and Saturday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. The HS/HSL will be closed on Sunday. Reference desk hours are Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Holiday

The HS/HSL will be closed on Monday, May 31 in observance of Memorial Day.

Hundreds Attend Fund for Medicine Gala

LARRY ROBERTS

More than 350 local business leaders, alumni, donors, faculty, staff, and students attended the first annual School of Medicine Gala on March 20 at the Montgomery Park Business Center in Baltimore. Hosted by the University’s Fund for Medicine, the gala raised approximately \$250,000 to benefit the Greenebaum Cancer Center and the children’s hospital.

“The gala was a terrific event that captured the spirit of the School and focused attention on our rich history and vision for the future,” said Patrick Madden, associate dean for development. The gala featured a retrospective look at the School of Medicine through a series of timeline displays. Beginning with the chartering of the School by the Maryland legislature in 1807, the presentations highlighted the achievements of faculty physicians and researchers over the last two centuries.

The gala served as the official introduction of the Fund for Medicine Campaign. “As we prepare to celebrate the School’s bicentennial, there will be many opportunities for us to highlight the teaching research and medical achievements that



(L to R) Christine Sarbanes, honorary chair of the event; Sen. Paul Sarbanes; Patricia Wilson; and Donald Wilson.

have allowed us to become a national leader in academic medicine,” said Donald E. Wilson, MD, MACP, the University’s vice president for medical affairs and the dean of the School of Medicine.

The Fund for Medicine was established to create a philanthropic identity for the School, to provide a means for patients to demonstrate their appreciation to faculty physicians, and to ensure that the School remains on the cutting edge of biomedical research and education.

“The Fund for Medicine is an extraordinary opportunity for donors to contribute to the discovery of miraculous cures and wondrous technologies just over the horizon,” says Christine Sarbanes, the honorary chair of this year’s gala and member of the School of Medicine Board of Visitors.

Long Working Hours Conference

ROSALIA SCALIA

What is the impact of working long hours and how does it affect fatigue, stress, health, safety, and work performance? On April 29 and 30, the School of Nursing hosted a national conference on long working hours.

Using a multidisciplinary approach, the conference explored the sociological, economic, and health aspects of long work hours. Speakers addressed the effect of long working hours on occupational safety, health, and well-being and discussed current and emerging interventions for professionals involved in careers requiring long hours.

“The concern here stems from the trend for people to work longer and longer hours, which started about 10 years ago,” says one of the conference organizers, Jeffrey Johnson, PhD, a faculty member at the School. “The more people work, the more they are exposed to stresses.”

The conference, which featured researchers, employers, management, and labor representatives, also reviewed quality of work issues with the goal of devising a research agenda for healthier work environments and schedules. Participants examined which occupational groups are more likely to experience long work hours and what kinds of programs or policies at the industry, trade, local, state, or federal levels promise to reduce the negative effects of long work hours.

The School of Nursing joined the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health and the U.S. Department of Justice in sponsoring the conference. Two additional sessions on May 1 focused specifically on the effect of long work hours on law enforcement officers.

CALENDAR

May 19: School of Medicine Council Meeting. 3–4 p.m. John M. Dennis Auditorium, 2nd Floor, VA Medical Center. Open to the public. For more information, contact Jean Hinton at 6-7410.

May 19: Free Nami Lecture: Improving Treatment for Persons with Schizophrenia. 7–9 p.m. NAMI-Metropolitan Baltimore, Inc., 5210 York Rd. Lecture features Anthony F. Lehman, MD, MSPH, professor and chair of the School of Medicine’s Department of Psychiatry. Free and open to the public. No reservations required. For more information, call 410-435-2600.

May 20: School of Pharmacy Alumni Association Graduation Banquet honors the Class of 2004 and 50th reunion of the Class of 1954. 7 p.m. Wyndham Baltimore Inner Harbor. Free to the classes of 2004 and 1954. All others, including guests of the graduating and reunion class, pay \$65. For more information, contact Phyllis Lovito, alumni liaison, at 6-8019.

May 24: Good Clinical Research Practice for Investigators. 3–5 p.m. HSF II, Room S130. Lecture features John Farley, MD, MPH, director of the Center for Clinical Trials. Free and open to the public. For more information, call 6-5037.

June 9: Eliminating Legal, Regulatory, and Economic Barriers to Biodefense Vaccine Development. 8:30 a.m.–7:30 p.m. School of Law. Registration and fee required. For more information, contact Diane Hoffmann at 6-7191.

June 10–11: New Research Coordinator Training Course. 8:15 a.m.–4 p.m. HSF II, Lecture Hall, Room S130. Program designed for research nurses, coordinators, and assistants who are new to research or to the University. Preregistration and fee required. Workshop is repeated on Sept. 16–17 and Dec. 9–10. For more information and to register, contact the

Center for Clinical Trials at 6-2328 or cct@som.umaryland.edu.

June 11: Conference on Marine Resources: Protecting Our Oceans: Legal and Policy Responses to the Decline of Marine Ecosystems. 8:45 a.m.–7 p.m. School of Law. Registration and fee required. For more information, contact the American Bar Association at 202-662-1694.

June 11: Ethics, Sex, and Health Care. 6–9 p.m. School of Law and Westminster Hall. Registration and fee required. To register, contact Lu Ann Marshall at 6-4128 or visit <http://www.law.umaryland.edu/conferences.asp>.

June 18: The National Museum of Dentistry’s 8th Anniversary Celebration and annual Dr. Jack W. Gottschalk Distinguished Lecture. 7 p.m. Davidge Hall. Followed at 8 p.m by a wine and cheese reception and museum tours at the National Museum of Dentistry. Lecture will feature Robert J. Genco, DDS, PhD, professor, State University of New York at Buffalo.

July 21–24: 14th Annual Summer Institute in Nursing Informatics. School of Nursing. For times and more information, visit www.nursing.umaryland.edu/informatics.

June 23: School of Medicine Council Meeting. 3–4 p.m. John M. Dennis Auditorium, 2nd Floor, VA Medical Center. Open to the public. For more information, contact Jean Hinton at 6-7410.

Lecture Focuses on Homicides of Women

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Jacquelyn Campbell, PhD, RN, FAAN, professor and associate dean for faculty affairs, Johns Hopkins University School of Nursing, and Barbara Parker, PhD, RN, FAAN, professor and director of the University of Virginia School of Nursing’s doctoral program, delivered the 10th Annual Ann Ottney Cain Endowed Lecture in Psychiatric Nursing, at the School of Nursing on April 2.

This year’s presentation, “Risk Factors of Femicide in Abusive Relationships and the Impact on Children,” also capped the School’s National Conference on Children and Adolescents, which focused on domestic violence and the impact of a mother’s murder on children.

“Adult survivors of uxoricide [murder of a wife by a husband] have volunteered to talk. No one has asked them their stories before and no one wants to talk about the situation,” says Parker. “Research has found that adult survivors forgive and accept the parent who killed the other, saying ‘mom loved him or she wouldn’t have stayed.’ They have a strong sense of religion.”

The lecture punctuated the 2-day National Conference on Children and Adolescents, which focused on youth violence and featured speakers such as James Garbarino, PhD, co-director of the Family Life Development Center at Cornell University.

African-American Contributions to Social Work

ROSALIA SCALIA

The School of Social Work held the Fifth African-American Contributions to Social Work Conference on Thursday, April 22, and Friday, April 23. This year’s conference, “Models of Self-Determination and Liberation for the Social Welfare of People of African Descent,” featured national and international leaders in a variety of fields.

On Thursday evening, the conference opened at the Walters Art Gallery with a reception and the annual John McAdoo Memorial Lecture, delivered by Joanne Mitchell-Martin, PhD, president and CEO of the city’s Great Blacks in Wax Museum. Mitchell-Martin is the co-author of a number of books relating to African-Americans and social welfare. Fred Foss, a jazz saxophonist who has performed with Lionel Hampton and other greats, provided entertainment.

“Early on in my career, I recognized the importance of including the history of African-Americans in the field of social work,” says Aminifu Harvey, DSW, a professor at the School and the conference’s organizer. “It was and is my contention that African-Americans have provided theories and practice methods about community building and working with families and individuals that should be included in social work schools’ curriculums.”

Friday’s portion of the conference opened with keynote speaker Haki R. Madhubuti, poet, educator, editor, and publisher of Third World Press, an imprint that publishes progressive works by and about African-Americans.

After the keynote address, three panel sessions focused on education, independent social welfare agencies launched by African-Americans, and professional service agencies.

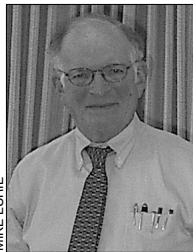
Speakers included Judith Jackson, MSW, president of the National Association of Black Social Workers; Bernida Thompson, PhD, founder of the Roots Activity Learning Center in Washington, D.C.; Frederick B. Phillips, PsyD, MSW, founder and president of Progressive Life Center in Washington, D.C.; J. Toni Oliver, MSW, executive director and president of Roots, Inc., the first adoption agency focusing solely on African-American children in the southeast; and Sondra Jackson, MSW, LCSW, executive director of Black Administrators in Child Welfare.

The conference closed with a panel on Haiti lead by internationally known scholar Leon D. Pamphile, PhD. Pamphile is the executive director of the Functional Literacy Ministry in Haiti and the author of *Haitians and African-Americans: A History of Tragedy and Hope*, the first comprehensive study of relations between Haiti and black America from the colonial period to the present.

Sponsored by the African-American Faculty/Staff/Student Network of the School of Social Work and funded by The Anne E. Casey Foundation, with in-kind support from the School of Social Work, the conference drew attendees from across Maryland; Washington, D.C.; and Virginia.

Dental School Prof Retires After 48 Years

MIKE LURIE



Jerome Buxbaum

Jerome D. Buxbaum, DDS, DAAPM, a clinical professor in the Dental School, is retiring at the end of June. Buxbaum first joined the School’s faculty 48 years ago and he leaves an indelible impression

on an institution that has changed considerably over the years.

A 1955 graduate of the School, Buxbaum joined its faculty in 1956, initiating the study of temporomandibular disorders (TMD), pain near and around the jaw joint, in the curriculum. Over the years, Buxbaum led the reshaping of the School’s core anatomy and physiology courses, teaching his students the fundamental principles of craniofacial pain.

“He was a pioneer in the School for emphasizing the need to develop TMD study in the curriculum,” says Leslie Costello, PhD, a professor of biomedical sciences in the School. “Jerry developed what were truly the first courses on this campus in craniofacial pain,” Costello says. “It was a neglected area. Many medical professionals, including people in dentistry, weren’t paying much attention to oral pain and were not very knowledgeable in that area.”

Says Costello, “In our undergraduate physiology program, he was the person who made students understand the clinical implications of their basic science studies. It was very important for our students to see that what we were teaching them in physiology was quite relevant to what they would see in their practice of dentistry.”

Throughout his career, Buxbaum worked to cultivate his own dental practice in Glen Burnie, Md., while also making it a priority to establish a dialogue between students and faculty that was nurturing and open. “When I was a student, the relationship between faculty and students was, at best, adversarial. I wanted to change that,” he says.

Buxbaum wanted his students to know he was available to them whenever possible. “I was among the first teachers to say, ‘If you don’t understand something, pick up the phone or come over to my house,’” he says. Buxbaum consistently has placed first or second in the Department of Biomedical Sciences in reviews by students and faculty peers.

It is Buxbaum’s research, extensive publication, and teaching on the subject of TMD pain that will remain his lasting legacy, a legacy that includes the founding of the School’s first facial pain clinic and the creation of a uniform glossary of prosthodontic terms that remains in use today.

After retiring, Buxbaum will continue some of his current teaching responsibilities as a volunteer member of the Dean’s Faculty and is applying to become a professor emeritus.

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